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Cold Start Engine Control Apparatus and Method

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## Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, filed simultaneously herewith, as follows:

## In the Claims

Claims 1-37 have been allowed in the parent application serial no. 08/679,273; Please cancel claims 10-21 and 26-37; please add claims 38-61 as follows:

38. (New) A method for reducing automobile exhaust emissions during the cold start of a multi-cylinder internal combustion engine having a fuel supply, a plurality of

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